## 2/16/17

Testimony to support Safety Net Services in the Dept. of Social Services (Safety Net and Community Services Lines)

To Members of the Appropriations Committee:

I am writing to express my deep appreciation for this program. The Safety Net program has benefited my family tremendously by assisting us in staying together as a family in our safe apartment. It has kept us from becoming homeless again. It has provided us with a sense of hope in midst of tremendous financial struggles. My significant other and I are both actively seeking employment without the assistance of this program our family as a unit would be destroyed. This program has eliminated some of the stress we are dealing with and our fear of becoming homeless. I am so grateful for this program. If programs like the Safety Net programs did not exist there is no telling here my family would be right now.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Kindest Regards,

Brenda Ayala